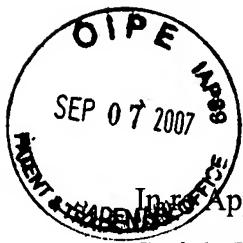


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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 7, 2007, Applicants request reconsideration for allowance of the claims pending with this amendment. Applicants submit that this Amendment is timely filed with a Petition for Extension of Time for three months.

In view of the papers presented with this reply, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and request entry of the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begin on page 2 of this paper;

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper; and

Appendix that include a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 and Exhibits A-I.

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